Admissions in School

†1775. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Parliament has passed any amendment in the Constitution regarding provision of free and compulsory education to all children of the age from 6 years to 14 years;

(b) if so, whether the instructions have been issued by Government to all the Government schools especially Kendriya Vidyalayas, Navodaya Vidyalayas and Adarsh Vidyalayas to provide admissions without any difficulty; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) Yes, Sir. The Constitution (86th Amendment) Act, 2002 has been enacted by which free and compulsory education has become a Fundamental Right for all children in the age group 6-14.

(b) and (c) Admission to Kendriya Vidyalayas, Navodaya Vidyalayas and Adrash Vidyalayas are being done as per their respective guidelines.

Computer Education in Madarsa

1776. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a programme to introduce computer education in Madarsas by the Ministry of HRD;

(b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted on Madarsas, as to the acceptability and utility of these programmes; and

(c) whether there is also a plan to provide NCERT books translated into Urdu free of cost to the Madarasa students?

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